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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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For:

NUCLEAR FUSION REACTOR INCORPORATING SPHERICAL

ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS TO CONTAIN AND EXTRACT ENERGY

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE JAN 2 8 2003 UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of one (1) month (from December 17, 2002 to January 17, 2003) within which to respond to the Office Action dated September 17, 2002 is requested. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee. Applicant is entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

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Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

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